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Dear Ms. Patnude:

Thank you for participating in the Potter Slough meeting last month. Your knowledge of the Potter Slough project and understanding of funding issues was very beneficial to the conversation.

We have a challenge ahead of us. However I believe with the continued support of the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, we will be able to find a solution that is acceptable to most, if not all, the parties involved.

My office will be contacting you soon regarding future steps and possible meeting dates.

Again, thank you for taking time from your schedule to participate in last month's meeting.

Sincerely,

Brian Baird

Member of Congress

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cc: Larry Peck

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